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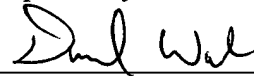
D. Remarks

Claim 14 has been cancelled. Claims 15 and 16 have been re-written in  
5 independent form including all the limitations of cancelled claim 14.

The remaining claims, Claims 8-12, and 21, were indicated as allowable in the  
Final Office Action, dated 6/02/04 and claims 15-20 were indicated as allowable in the  
Advisory Action of 8/17/04.

10 Entry of the amendments is respectfully requested so that the application may be  
forwarded for allowance and issue.

Respectfully Submitted,



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